

Greatly Reduced Ocean Fare Arranged For British Migrants

Ottawa.—A \$50 rate for all British migrants to Canada from the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland has been agreed upon between the British government and the steamship companies, according to a statement issued by Hon. Robert Forster, minister of immigration.

The new rate does not affect the \$10 rate under the Empire Settlement scheme, which continues in force. The agreement, reached after several conferences held in recent weeks in London, which were attended by W. J. Egan, deputy minister of immigration. It becomes effective on January 1, 1929.

The difference between the \$50 and the old rate of \$84 approximately will be absorbed by the British government and the steamship lines on an agreed basis.

The minister of immigration has reached an agreement with the British Steamship Lines for the payment of a special rate for British subjects normally resident in Great Britain and Northern Ireland, coming to Canada for permanent residence. Under normal conditions the special rate for third-class passengers from Great Britain to Canada is \$18, while under the agreement that has been concluded between the British government and the British Steamship Lines, such passengers, if British subjects normally resident in Great Britain or Northern Ireland, will be able to come to Canada at the rate of \$10, the difference between the normal rate being absorbed by the British government and the steamship lines on an agreed basis.

The arrangement will come into effect on the first of January, 1929. In order to give it a fair trial it will continue in operation for two years according to the understanding reached in London.

Telegraph Wire Sets Type For Newspaper

Despatches Transferred Into Machines Here at the Plant of the Rochester Times Union.

Rochester, N.Y.—A telegraph wire operated two newspaper type-setting machines here at the plant of the Rochester Times Union.

Despatches by wire were transferred mechanically directly into the machines, with human touch eliminated, and were recorded in lines of metal type, each as long as a new column is wide.

The object of the invention is to shorten the time and work required to transfer news from the place where it occurs to the printed page. It is designed to be another step in the development of the distribution of the printed word, begun when movable type was invented by Johannes Gutenberg, at Strasbourg, in 1438.

The operation was a private demonstration held in the presence of a gathering of men who work large printing and publishing enterprises.

The sending was done in the demonstration room to machines on the opposite side of the room, which were operated simultaneously from the same wire. One was a Linotype and the other an Intertype.

Sending Two Experts.

Paris.—The newspaper "Matin" says that Premier Poincaré has been urged by E. Parker Gilbert, agent general of Reparation, that the United States had decided to send two experts to co-operate in the reparations settlement. The situation was said, however, that such action must not involve any responsibility on the United States.

Goed To Moose Jaw.

Brandon, Man.—The resignation of City Manager A. W. B. Pearson was accepted by the Brandon city council. Mr. Pearson has accepted the city commissionership of Moose Jaw, where he will take up the duties January 1.

Deaver Rite Epidemic.

Denver, Colo.—Denver physicians and nurses are so busy with Deaver's influenza epidemic that some of them are refusing to take any new patients except in emergencies.

Anti War Treaty.

Washington.—The "Kellogg-Briand" treaty was submitted to the Senate for ratification by President Coolidge.

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Soviets Ask Increase For National Defence

Additional Hundred Million Rubles Is Included In Budget

Moscow.—An increase of nearly 100,000,000 rubles in the estimate of national defence was one of the striking features of the budget which has been presented to the Central Executive Committee by V. I. Bruchanov, commissar of finance. The total of this estimate is 840,000,000 rubles, compared with 742,000,000 of the past year.

Commissar Bruchanov explained that the increase was needed to improve the educational system and general condition of the army.

PILGRIMS GATHER TO MARK SIGNING OF PEACE PACT

London, Eng.—A distinguished company attended the dinner of the Pilgrims' Society to celebrate the signing of the peace pact for renunciation of war. Sir Austen Chamberlain, British foreign secretary, Lord Hardinge, and Lord Davidson, the former Archbishop of Canterbury, were guests. The dinner was presided over by the Archbishop of Canterbury, who said that the signing of the peace pact was a great event in the history of the world. He said that the signing of the peace pact was a great event in the history of the world. He said that the signing of the peace pact was a great event in the history of the world.

Christmas Seal Sale

Saskatchewan Anti-Tuberculosis League Asking For Co-Operative Effort.

Port Severn, Ont.—As announced by Mr. R. Cook, president and managing director, that the Saskatchewan Anti-Tuberculosis League is now entering into a new phase of its work dealing with preventive and educational measures outside of the hospital and sanatorium.

The scheme carries with it provision for the examination of all children in the province, where infection is known to exist, as well as all children reported by the school officials as showing signs of being unclean.

The scheme is of such magnitude that it requires the active co-operation of all school teachers, all school officials, and physicians as well as the intelligent sympathy of the general public.

In order to meet the cost of the examination and care of children reported, a campaign for the sale of seals is being carried on in the schools, and they are being asked to form clubs and to assist in the forming of a "School Children for School Children" fund.

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Abolish Capital Punishment

British House Of Commons Agrees To Consider Proposed Bill

London, Eng.—The House of Commons, by the narrowest of majorities, agreed to consider a bill for the abolition of capital punishment and the substitution of penal servitude for life.

Commander Joseph Kenworthy, Labrador, asked leave to introduce such a bill and on a division between 119 to 118, amidst some excitement over the closeness of the vote and loud cheers from supporters of the bill.

Western Pioneer Dead

Vancouver, B.C.—Thomas Kerrigan, 75, a pioneer of the Canadian West, died here. He resided in the province of Manitoba for many years before coming to British Columbia.

Floods In Russia

Moscow.—The River Volga overflowed its banks in the neighborhood of Astrakhan, and 29 villages were submerged as a result of the storm which swept the Caspian Sea.

RETURN TO CANADA

To English Nobility

Dr. P. G. Banting, co-discoverer of insulin and winner of the Nobel prize in 1923, who is back in Canada. Dr. Banting went overseas recently to deliver a lecture at Edinburgh University in recognition of his having won the Cameron prize. He made the Atlantic trip on the S.S. Marquette.

Will Inherit Large Estate

Two Young American Girls Related to English Nobility

Chicago, Ill.—Two little American girls are about to enter the English nobility and become part heirs to a \$15,000,000 estate. The heiresses are Lady Doris and Lady Mary, who are the daughters of Lord Hardinge, and Lord Davidson, the former Archbishop of Canterbury, who are the daughters of Lord Hardinge, and Lord Davidson, the former Archbishop of Canterbury, who are the daughters of Lord Hardinge, and Lord Davidson, the former Archbishop of Canterbury.

Report On Vestris Disaster

Nautical Expert Believes Incompetence Caused Sinking Of Ship

New York.—Incompetence was blamed by a nautical expert as one of the contributing factors in the sinking of the S.S. Vestris, with a loss of more than \$100,000, November 12.

Captain E. P. Jessop, a nautical expert, in a report of his findings before United States Commissioner Francis A. O'Neill, said he did not believe the captain of the vessel, William J. Casey, nor the first officer had full control of the situation.

Conviction In Quebec

Montreal.—The conviction against Vernon Bohrer, under sentence to hang December 15, for the murder of his mother, and two other men, near Manville, in July last, was quashed by the appellate division of the supreme court of Alberta.

THEY KNOW THEIR LIVESTOCK

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Saskatchewan Legislature

House Of Deputies Opens With The Usual Ceremonies

Regina.—The fourth session of the sixth Legislature of Saskatchewan was opened with the usual ceremonies before the session. A feature of the opening was the introduction of Dr. P. T. Vaughn, recently elected to represent Arm. The actual session lasted just long enough for the reading of the speech from the throne, probably the longest ever read in Saskatchewan, the moving of the formal motions and the single introduction of the only new member. Following the adjournment the members and guests attended the usual reception in the library. Flowers in great profusion were used as decorations.

While for some reason an impression has been broadcast that the present session will be rather brief, those actually in a position to know can see no reason why that should be in fact. It is generally expected in well informed circles that the session will be just as long, if not longer, than the average. It is fully expected to last seven weeks.

Worked As Sales-Girl

One Of England's Richest Girls Employed In New York Store

New York.—The New York American says in a copyrighted story that Lady Doris Lois Hope, one of England's wealthiest heiresses, has fled to Washington after being discovered while working as a salesgirl in a large department store.

Sails For Antarctic

Commander Byrd's Expedition Has Left Civilization

Washington.—Word that Commander Byrd's expedition had left civilization at last was received by Secretary Wilbur over naval radio from the explorer.

The navy has agreed to maintain constant radio communication with Byrd expedition after it establishes a base in the Bay of Whales, near Ross Sea, the only safe harbor at the edge of the Antarctic continent.

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Find Grading System Does Not Always Favor The Farmer

Farmers In Canada Satisfied

Great Strides Made In Agriculture Says Sir Henry Thompson

Minneapolis, Minn.—The three foundations of Canadian prosperity—agriculture, mining and hydro-electric energy, Sir Henry W. Thompson, president of the Canadian National Railways, declared here in an address heard by traffic executives from all over America.

"Agriculture is the most important," Sir Henry said. "We have made great strides in agriculture and our acreage is increased each year. Our farmers seem well satisfied with conditions. If you have any Canadian farmers here tell them to come to Canada."

New Air Company

Plans Made To Merge New York and Montreal Firms

Montreal.—The Montreal Gazette states in its news columns that the Canadian Airplane and Motor Company, Inc. of New York will shortly enter the Dominion Aeronautical industry through a merger with the field aircraft company, Ltd. of Montreal.

The paper adds: "The new company will probably be known as the Canadian Airplane and Motor Company, Ltd. will be formed to take over the assets and liabilities and entire enterprise of the field aircraft company, Ltd. It is expected to be in Montreal, and at least two-thirds of the directors will be Canadians."

Record Price Paid For Champion Steer

Chicago.—Almost doubling the previous record price because of the peculiar circumstances surrounding the champion this year, the John P. Phipps Company, operators of a chain of general stores throughout the United States, paid \$11,000 for a champion steer at the 1928 International livestock exposition, at a price by seven dollars above the high.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

DECEMBER 16

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"We are again in the midst of the Christmas shopping season. People are making out their Christmas lists, and some have already selected the gifts they will give their friends this festive season."

The age old custom of exchanging greetings and expressing friendship through the medium of gifts loses none of its popularity and sincerity through the passage of time. The genuine Christmas spirit is still in evidence, and people joy in the gift giving season.

Residents of Bassano and district find the Bassano merchants prepared for the Yuletide gift season with splendid stocks of Christmas goods. The shopper will find in the stores here articles of great variety that will bring pleasure to mother, dad, sister, brother, and friends on Christmas morning.

ALBERTA AND THE "ARTURAL" RESOURCES

Alberta is making another bid for natural resources. Premier J. L. Brownlee, the Hon. Geo. Howley, Minister of Agriculture, and the Hon. G. Reid, provincial treasurer, are now in Ottawa attending a conference with officials of the Dominion government, and discussing plans for the transfer of the natural resources to the province.

The problem is one of many years standing. Previous governments have tackled it, but many obstacles have been encountered, preventing the arrival at a satisfactory basis for vesting the natural resources in the name of the province. It is hoped that this time Premier Brownlee and his ministers will succeed in their efforts.

Aside from the coal deposits, little is known of the mineral wealth of Alberta. The Peace River country has gained world-wide fame as a wonderland of agricultural area, where the finest wheat in the world can be grown, other field crops produce amazing yields, and splendid results are obtained in the raising of live stock. But little is known of the great mountainous region along the western border of the province, and that great stretch of territory in the north-east corner.

The Laurentian plateau, which spreads itself over the northern regions of Ontario and Manitoba, is a veritable treasure house of mineral wealth. Gold, nickel, and copper are found there in huge quantities, and mining experts say that what has already been discovered is only a fraction of that which is buried in the rocks of the Laurentian plateau.

This bed of Archæal rocks, the oldest in the world, extends across northern Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and into Alberta. The region in Alberta which it covers is unexplored and practically unexplored. Here may be found mineral wealth that will even rival that of Manitoba and Ontario. Already iron ore has been found by trappers in this region, around the shores of Lake Athabasca, and prospecting may uncover great riches.

No one can give even a vague estimate of the petroleum wealth of the province. Producing oil fields indicate the existence of immense bodies of oil producing rocks, and exploration of other fields, which is now going on, may reveal more oil producing areas.

Possession of all this great natural wealth is a vital factor in the progress of Alberta. It is only right that it should be vested in the name of the people of this province.

QUAIL IMPORTED BY GAME ASSOCIATION

Fifty pairs of Bob White quail have been imported from the state of Mississippi by the Calgary Fish and Game Association. The birds will be wintered in pens in Calgary and will be turned out in the surrounding districts before the nesting season begins. This experiment is being made by the Association in the hope that this choice game bird will flourish in Alberta as have a number of other species during the past few years.

Brothers All

A teacher was giving his class a lecture on charity.
 "Willie," he said, "If I saw a boy beating a donkey, and stopped him from doing so, what virtue would I be showing?"
 Willie (promptly): "Brotherly love."

THANKFUL

by Frank L. Stanton
 For what are we thankful for? For this:
 For the breath and the sunlight of life,
 For the love of the child and the kiss On the lips of the mother and wife.

For roses entwining,
 For bud and for bloom,
 And hopes that are shining
 Like stars in the gloom.

For what are we thankful for? For this:
 The strength and the patience of toll.

For ever the dreams that are bliss—
 The hope of the seed in the soil.

For souls that are whiter
 From day unto day,
 And lives that are brighter
 From going God's way.

For what are we thankful for? For all:

The sunlight, the shadow, the song
 The blossoms may wither and fall,
 But the world moves in music
 Along.

For simple, sweet living,
 ('Tis love that doth teach it)
 A heaven forgiving
 And faith that can reach it.

ROLLING MILLS PLANT FOR CALGARY

A manufacturing plant which will employ in the neighborhood of one hundred and sixty men will be built in Calgary during the coming season by the Manitoba Rolling Mills Co. of Winnipeg. It was announced during the past week, following negotiations with the city from which a tract of land has been purchased. Plans are already under way for the construction of the large modern plant which will cost some \$400,000.

Homicide Scrap

Down in Arkansas a man was tried for assault and battery with intent to kill. The state produced as evidence the weapons used, a rail gun, saw and rifle.
 The defendant's counsel exhibited as the other man's weapons a scythe blade, pitchfork, pistol, dog, razor, and hoe.

After being out several hours the jury gave this verdict: "We, the jury would have given a dollar to see the fight."

Roped and Branded

Maud: "So you married your employer. How long did you work for him?"
 Myrtle: "Until I got him."

Safety First

A man who was hiring a chauffeur asked each applicant how close he could drive to a precipice without toppling over.

"One foot," "Six inches," "Three inches," ran the replies. But an Irishman declared:

"Faith, and I'd keep as far away from the place as I could."

"Consider yourself employed," was the comment of the owner of the car.

New Job for Garçons

She: "According to the latest fashion notes, skirts are going to be worn below the knees."
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Towel Sets \$1.75
Embroidered Pillow Cases \$2.25
Linen Luncheon Sets \$3.95
Bridge Table Covers \$1.50
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Linen Table Cloths, 64 x 54 \$2.95

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Pin Cushions 40c, 50c, 75c
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Always useful, always appreciated; the very finest plain white Cottons and Linens; hemstitched borders; plain white, fancy border Initialed handkerchiefs in fine Egyptian cotton and linen. Fine Silk, plain and fancy.

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As members of the Associated Grocers, Ltd. of Calgary, and thereby entitled to all benefits of combined co-operative buying, we are enabled to effect considerable reduction in our purchases, and can sell at Calgary prices---in fact, on an average perhaps a little lower, as we do not have heavy rents and taxes to combat as in the city. Thirty grocery stores, buying their goods collectively, can certainly buy better and cheaper than operating singly.

CHILD'S SAVINGS PLAN

Scrip for Child's Savings Plan is given with all purchases excepting flour and sugar.

CHRISTMAS TREES

We have 50 coming in direct from the forest; all sizes



WINTER APPLES

What is nicer than a rosy apple on your Christmas dinner table? We have hundreds of cases to select from, varieties such as Mackintosh Reds, Northern Spies, Delicious, Spits, Jonathans, Wagners, Kings, Newtons, Grimes Golden, Winter Bananas, Greenings, Ontario. From \$1.75 per case up

TOYS! TOYS!

We have now on display the best selection of toys we have ever shown. Too numerous to mention, but bring the kiddies along and look them over.

CROCKERY

What makes a better present than a nice dinner set? We have some beauties in just now, and very reasonably priced.



Exclusive Ties

Made from the finest imported silks; dozens to pick from, in all the newest color combinations; individual boxes; prices from 50c to \$2.75

Gifts for Boys

Boxed Sets, Scarf and Tie to match; Tie and Handkerchief to match; Scarves, Shirts, Belts, Handkerchiefs, Ties, Pyjamas, Sweaters, Windbreakers, Hose, Slippers, Gloves, Mitts, Shoes.

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Finest English make; capeskins, suede, buckskin, piccay hog, knitted wool lining, fine fur lined, and silk lined; in gift boxes; prices from \$1.95 to \$6.50

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Local News

Joe Woonness made a business trip to Calgary Tuesday evening.

Skating was resumed at the local rink Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Bredin spent part of last week visiting in Calgary.

Mrs. Arthur Flanagan, of Hinton, is a patient in the local hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Angus Smith and Mrs. Ellis, of Lethbridge, spent Tuesday afternoon visiting friends in Bassano.

Mr. Sarr, of Lethbridge, was in town Wednesday for a load of winter supplies.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hagger are now living in their newly purchased home on Third Avenue east.

Many people moving to Bassano have made a scarcity of vacant houses here.

Harry Maurer left Wednesday morning for Tennessee, where he will spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Maurer plan to spend Christmas in the States. They will leave about the end of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walker left last week to spend the winter in Washington.

Mrs. E. Hinds left on Monday last to spend the winter visiting relatives in Nebraska and Omaha.

The Women's Auxiliary of the Anglican Church will hold their tea and sale in the Oddfellows' Hall, on Saturday afternoon this week, Dec. 19th, from 3.00 till 6.00 p.m.

Mrs. Henry Deltz, of Majorville, suffered injuries to her spine and lacerations in an automobile accident at Salem, Oregon, last Monday. Mr. Deltz was unhurt.

H. A. Woodford, of Granta, returned Wednesday from a visit to his farm near Acme. He says that many hard frosts are being made in that district which had a good crop this year.

The Bassano school oratorical contest will be held in the Gem Theatre on Friday night of this week, Dec. 18th. The evening's program will include a picture, play, and entertainment by the school pupils.

ALBERTA CATTLE FOR JAPAN

Negotiations have been completed between the Alberta government and a firm of Japanese importers headed by Captain T. Kawakami with headquarters in Yokohama, for the shipment of twenty-one head of choice Holstein cattle from this province to Japan. The cattle chosen for this consignment have been selected from a number of dairy herds in different parts of the province, and include several cows with high milk records. A number of these cows, along with two bulls, will provide foundation stock for improved dairy herds in Japan.

The Japanese government is also anxious to import Alberta hogs, but difficulties have been encountered with the transportation and insurance companies and no shipment will be made until these matters have been adjusted.

ALBERTA OIL PRODUCTION REACHES HIGH FIGURE

Alberta's production of petroleum in 1925 amounted to 319,741 barrels, valued at \$1,185,948, according to the finally revised figures issued by the Dominion Board of Statistics. Alberta ranks during the year contributed 66.8 per cent of the total production for the Dominion, which is placed at 476,881 barrels, and the quality of the Alberta product is shown by the fact that it represents 78.2 per cent of the value of the total.

Domestic production, which is given at \$1,516,042.

Alberta's oil production for the year is 2.3 times as great as that of Ontario, its nearest competitor, and the value of the output of Alberta wells is more than four times as great as that of Ontario's production. The remainder of the Dominion total is made up by a production of 16,234 barrels in New Brunswick.

Clearing the Court

It was an Irish official who once convulsed a court. He was offered to clear the room. In a tremendous voice he boomed:

"Now then, all ye blackguards that isn't lawyers leave the court!"

Pedestrians, Salute!

Teacher: "Now, James, name your company and its principal." James (the son of a broker): "General Motors."

Trifling Deposit

Sam: "There's Madge Bahr. I understand she bought that dress by instalments."

Her: "I suppose that's the first instalment she's wearing."

The errand boy was hugging a life-sized tailor's dummy through the shopping crowds when a passing carman noticed his embarrassment and the quality of the Alberta product. "Harry up, Romeo," he shouted, "her father's after you."



What Shall We Give?

BACK through the centuries Christmas has always been a time for the giving of presents—big or little things to delight and gladden the hearts of children and their elders.

But where are the Christmas presents of other years—the toys, the useful things? Broken—worn out—forgotten.

Keep alive the spirit of your gift. Let it bring happiness and contentment from year to year—add a Royal Bank Savings Book to your list of Christmas presents.

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The Outstanding Chevrolet is powered by a new six-cylinder valve-in-head engine of advanced design.

It develops 32% more power than the previous Chevrolet motor and affords greater speed, better acceleration and an economy averaging better than twenty miles to the gallon of gasoline! A new non-detaching cylinder head provides high compression performance without special fuels. The new hot-spot manifold assures complete fuel vaporization. The new and large carburetor incorporates an automatic accelerator pump, and an improved venturi choke for quicker winter starting.

The new heavier crankshaft is statically and dynamically balanced. The entire rocker arm mechanism is automatically lubricated. Long engine life is provided for by AC air cleaner, continuous self-purification of the crankcase oil—and improved crankcase ventilation.

Big, powerful, easily adjustable four-wheel brakes. Ball-bearing steering mechanism. And most costly car features as two-beam headlights with toe button control for "dipping", semi-automatic spark control, theft-proof elec-

trolock, waterproof spark-coil construction, larger shielded safety gasoline tank in rear, improved differential lubrication and many other features of comparable importance.

New Bodies by Fisher

In addition the New Chevrolet offers an order of beauty, distinction and style never before attained in any low-priced automobile! The high, flared hood and the gleaming chromium plated radiator shell furnish the keynote of rugged smartness and grace. The rakish unbroken lines, emphasized by distinctively grayed hood louvers, are suggestive of speed and alertness. The divided body moulding and concave front pillars reflect the vogue so widely favored by leading custom builders! While the larger, longer, lower bodies are themselves masterful examples of the craftsmanship for which Fisher is internationally renowned.

The seats are wider and more restful. The driver's seat in all closed models is easily adjustable on swivel—no back-swing feature recently introduced on a few of the high-priced cars. The redesigned dash carries an attractive grouping of all control instruments indirectly lighted, including the new motor temperature indicator.

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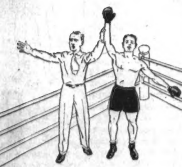
The Roadster . . . \$665
The Phaeton . . . \$665
The Coupe . . . \$760
The Sedan . . . \$870
The Sport Cabriolet . . . \$885
The Convertible . . . \$925
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THERE'LL BE SANTA AND FUN,
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READ ON AND THE WAY WILL BE SEEN, YES, SEEN,
THAT'S PRECISELY THE THING THAT WE MEAN.

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Bloomers **\$2.75**
SUK Pyjamas **\$4.25**

LINENS
Wonderful values in fine linen Tablecloths, Luncheon-Sets, Dollies, Towel Sets, and Silk Bed Spreads. A gift of the above is very useful

MEN'S SUITS
Our values are unsurpassed in quality tailored garments. Secure yours now for Christmas.

GROCERIES

Quality goods gathered from all parts of the world for your Christmas table.
Spanish Table Raisins, 1 lb. pkg. **45c**
Spanish Figs in baskets **25c**
Spanish Figs, large size, per lb. **35c**
PLUM PUDDINGS — JAP. ORANGES — FANCY BOXES CHOCOLATES

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Christmas Goods Now On Display

FANCY CHINA — DOLLS — TOYS — CHRISTMAS CARDS
CHRISTMAS TAGS, COORD. SEALS, and PAPER
CHRISTMAS BOXES OF CHOCOLATES—Mints, Lowney's,
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CIGARS and CIGARETTES in CHRISTMAS WRAPPING
ICE CREAM in BRICK and BULK

Special this week

Crate apples **\$1.65** Northern Spy, Wagner,
and King in perfect condition.

BULMER'S STORE

One Week 95c Sale
Starting Saturday Dec. 15th
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Get our poster at the post office and read
our specials

We also have a special table display of Christmas Suggestions.
We carry a full line of Men's and Boys' Overshoes and Rubbers

We buy all kinds of furs

Local News

R. J. Bell, of Hussar, was a business visitor in Bassano Wednesday.

Mr. G. A. McDonald spent the week-end in Calgary.

Dr. Geo. Haworth was in Calgary over the week-end.

A. G. Bond was a Calgary visitor last Sunday.

Mrs. Wallace Flanagan was visiting friends in Calgary the latter part of last week.

Leo Walsh left last Saturday for the Pacific coast to visit his brother George who is ill.

R. K. Pickers left last Saturday for his new position with the Canadian Bank of Commerce at Vulcan.

Miss Ina Hermanson has been engaged in McKee's Store to assist during the Christmas rush season.

Knox Church Sunday school will hold their Christmas concert on Thursday evening, December 30th, in the church at 8 o'clock.

Knox Church Sunday school Christmas Tree Entertainment will be held in the church Thursday evening next week, December 30th.

Mr. and Mrs. Shelby and baby daughter were in from the ranch at Southfork where they moved to from Bassano at the beginning of the month.

G. McMillan, new manager of the local branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, arrived last week from Vulcan. Mr. McMillan and family have moved into the bank quarters.

A. G. Bond registered a letter on Tuesday from Mrs. R. H. Little, of Edmonton. Mr. Little said he felt much better, and expected to be back to work within a month.

James Frame, Junior, in the Canadian Bank of Commerce, is leaving for Scotland the end of this week, having been called home on account of the illness of his mother.

CHURCH SERVICE AT

KNOX NEXT SUNDAY
Church service will be held at Knox Presbyterian Church on Sunday evening, Dec. 15th, at 7:30 o'clock. The Rev. T. C. McCrae, of Wetaskiwin, will preach.



JOHN JOHNSON

John Johnson, whose appointment to the position of manager of the Chateau Frontenac, Quebec, is announced to be effective November 1st. Mr. Johnson joined the staff of the Chateau Frontenac as clerk in 1920, and became assistant manager in 1924. He succeeds B. A. Neale, who is appointed to the Royal York Hotel, Toronto.

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Christmas Bazaar and Toyland

We extend a hearty invitation to you to walk around the stores and view the wonderful collection of beautiful and useful Christmas Gifts. You will then appreciate our efforts to make choosing gifts a pleasure to yourself and a joy to the recipient.

Some Gift Suggestions from the Ladies' Store

Silk Underwear - Silk Stockings
Handkerchiefs - Pretty Scarves
Ladies' Slippers - Ladies' Overshoes
Dress Lengths - Silk Dresses
Luncheon Sets - Towel Sets
Bridge Covers - Embroidered Pillow Cases
Table Cloths - Garter Sets
Writing Compendiums - Work Baskets
Perfume and Powder Sets - Manicure Sets
A host of Dainty Novelties

Christmas Suggestions for Men and Boys

Shirts - Pyjamas - Ties and Tie Sets
Scarves and Scarf Sets - Belts and Belt Sets
Sweaters - Gloves - Slippers - Hats
Caps - Socks - Golf Hose - Bath Robes
Suspender Sets - Garter and Arm Band Sets
Underwear - Jaeger Waistcoats - Blazers
Langmuir Luggage.

CHRISTMAS GROCERIES

California cluster Raisins, per lb. **.25**
Malaga Cluster Raisins, per lb. **.35**
Seedless Raisins, Sun Maid, 2 lbs. **.25**
Seedless Raisins, Sun Maid Puffed, per pkt. **.15**
Currants, re-cleaned, per lb. **.20**
Bartlett Pears, large 2 1-2 tins, heavy syrup each **.33**
Royal Anne Cherries, heavy syrup, large 2 1-2 tins, each **.33**
Figs, imported from Spain, per basket **.25**
Corn for Popping-- this corn pops, per lb. **.11**
Pickle Special- 1 qt. sealer Dyson's sweet mixed, 1
Porcelain Lemon Reamer, the two for **.49**
Choice Oranges, 3 dozen for **\$1.00**
NUTS--Brazilis, Walnuts, Filberts, Almonds, and Pecans;
fresh stock just in today, and at lowest prices.
Finest Japanese Peanuts, fresh roasted, the best
procurable, special low price 2 lbs. for **.35**
JAP ORANGES are good this year; 75 bundles or 150
boxes at your disposal.
CHRISTMAS CANDY--Mixed, ribbon, and rock; special
in Christmas Candy 5 lbs. for **\$1.00**

FRUIT and VEGETABLES

For description of our WINTER APPLES see our big advertisement inside; from \$1.75 per case up
HEAD LETTUCE and CELERY is coming along in splendid shape; we always have it on hand.
Also TABLE GRAPES, BANANAS, CALIFORNIA TOMATOES, GRAPE FRUIT, SWEET SPINACH,
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